

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re A	Application of:)
Hirofumi MURATANI) Group Art Unit: 2624
Application No.: 10/743,533) Examiner: Mackowey, Anthony M.
Filed:	December 23, 2003) Confirmation No.: 7671
For:	DIGITAL WATERMARK EMBEDDING APPARATUS, METHOD AND PROGRAM, AND DIGITAL WATERMARK DETECTION APPARATUS, METHOD AND PROGRAM)))))

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), fulfills the requirement for a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and responds to the final Office Action mailed April 15, 2009. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.